Montana Department of Environmental Quality SB 489 Report to EQC September 13, 2007

Background:

SB 489 provides \$1.25 million from the orphan share fund. DEQ must use the money to contract with an environmental consulting firm to complete a comprehensive remedial investigation and feasibility study for Kalispell Pole & Timber, Reliance Refinery, and Yale Oil Corporation (KRY). Any left-over money goes toward cleanup at the sites. For more site-specific information, please see the attached updates or visit DEQ's website at http://www.deq.mt.gov/StateSuperfund/kpt.asp.

Progress Since Last Report:

- Tetra Tech (DEQ's environmental consulting firm) submitted the final draft feasibility study report on July 31, 2007
- DEQ collected monthly groundwater level and surface water level readings through July 2007
- DEQ collected samples from nearby residential wells quarterly

SB 489 Expenditures:

- Estimated project costs \$1,163,279.77
- Expenditures to date \$ 2,032,888.03
- Remaining SB489 funding \$0.00
- Potentially liable persons (PLPs) invoiced \$782,888.03

DEQ's previous report to EQC described costs exceeding original cost estimates, cost cutting measures DEQ implemented, and that additional costs would be funded by the PLPs.

Additional Work:

- Sediment and surface water sampling in the Stillwater River to verify limited data collected during the remedial investigation (ongoing)
- Amend feasibility study if the Stillwater River requires cleanup
- Treatability studies and sampling may be needed to assist in design of cleanup systems
- Continue periodic monitoring of nearby residential wells

Actions Completed to Date:

Action Item	Deadline	Date Completed
Consult with PLPs	None	May 27, 2005
Contract In Place	August 31, 2005	July 1, 2005
Consult with PLPs	None	August 16, 2005

EQC Quarterly Report	Fall 2005	September 15, 2005
Complete Data Summary Report	December 31, 2005	December 31, 2005
EQC Quarterly Report	Winter 2005-2006	January 12, 2006
Consult with PLPs	None	January 12, 2006
Consult with PLPs	None	February 10, 2006
Complete Remedial Investigation Workplan	None	March 22, 2006
Consult with PLPs	None	March 23, 2006
Initiate Field Work	None	April 10, 2006
EQC Quarterly Report	Spring 2006	May 18, 2006
Completed Bulk of Field Work	November 30, 2006 for ALL Field Work	August 23, 2006
EQC Quarterly Report	Summer 2006	September 11, 2006
Prepared Site Update for the Public	None	October 2006
Site Tour & Meeting with Area Legislators	None	December 7, 2006
Prepared Site Update for the Public	None	January 2007
Public Comment on Remedial Investigation	None	January 31, 2007 through March 1, 2007
Consult with PLPs	None	February 5, 2007
Held Public Meeting in Kalispell	None	February 20, 2007
EQC Quarterly Report	Summer 2007	June 28, 2007
Consult with PLPs	None	March 5, 2007
Final remediation alternatives in FS	July 31, 2007	July 31, 2007

Questions:Contact Denise Martin at demartin@mt.gov or 406-841-5060